

# PCR PURIFICATION PROTOCOL: BD BIOSCIENCES®

This protocol is adapted from a BDBiosciences protocol by the Gene Expression Lab.

*This protocol is for use with BD Biosciences' BD Advantage 2 PCR Enzyme System. For additional technical inquiries, contact Technical Service at 877-232-8995 or [www.bdbiosciences.com](http://www.bdbiosciences.com)*

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### Use PCR Hood

For ~30 minutes prior to starting procedure, use the UV light to decontaminate the hood.

### Heat Elution Buffer

Make an aliquot of EB in a 1.5ml eppendorf tube and place in incubator at 70°C until ready to elute purified product. Warming the elution buffer may allow for increased yields.

### Preparing Plate to collect samples for purification

Take out PCR plate so that the samples can thaw.  
Centrifuge plate briefly before collecting samples.

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1. After PCR is complete, adjust the reaction volume to 50-100ul with TE (pH7-7.5)
  - Bring the total volume up to 100ul w/ TE; if have over 100ul of total vol., for every 100ul over use increased amts of binding buffer appropriately.
2. Add 4 volumes of Purelink Binding buffer to sample and mix well.
3. Insert the Purelink Spin Column into a 2-ml collection tube. Load 500ul of the sample into the column. Centrifuge at 10,000xg for min at room temperature. COLLECT flow-through.

4. Reinsert the column in the 2ml Collection Tube. Add 650ul of Wash Buffer with ethanol to the column. Centrifuge at 10,000xg for 1 min at room temperature. COLLECT flow-through.
5. Put Purelink Spin Column back in the 2-ml Collection Tube and Centrifuge at 10,000xg for 2 min to remove residual buffer from the membrane filter COLLECT flow-through.
6. Place the Purelink Spin Column in a clean 1.5-ml microcentrifuge tube. Add Appropriate amt of Elution Buffer and incubate at room temperature for 1min.
7. Centrifuge at 10,000xg for 2 min.
8. Determine yields by running DNA 7500 chip.

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### POOR DNA YIELD

- Reagents may not be prepared properly – make sure that the proper amount of ethanol and isopropanol were added to their corresponding buffers.
- The binding conditions may not have been optimal. For efficient DNA binding, 1 volume of PCR (50-100ul) must always be mixed with 4 volumes of Binding Buffer.